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For: DEVICE FOR DISPENSING A THERAPEUTIC OR COSMETIC SUBSTANCE, THE INERT VEHICLE OF WHICH IS A VOLATILE POLYDIORGANOSILOXANE, AND COMPOSITION INTENDED TO BE USED IN THE DEVICE

**REQUEST FOR ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF
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PRIORITY DOCUMENT UNDER 35 USC 119**

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Sir:

Neither the priority claim under 35 USC 119 (in the inventorship declaration) nor receipt of the certified copy of the §119 priority document has been acknowledged in the subject file wrapper continuation application (FWC) (i.e., filed under former Rule 62). The certified copy of the §119 priority document was received by the PTO as evidenced by U.S. Pat. No. 5,582,815 (cover page attached hereto), based on parent application no. 08/291,834.

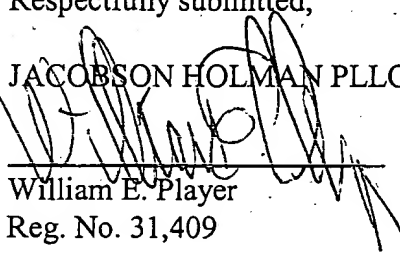
It is requested that the examiner indicate on the record the §119 priority claim and that the priority document was received by the PTO and notify the undersigned attorneys of record, accordingly.

Favorable action is requested.

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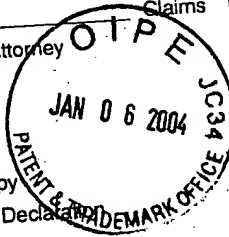
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